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1. A conference of Bulgarian, Rumanian, and Soviet Army, Navy and Air Force staff officers reportedly took place outside Varna in the "Popov" Mansion. The following was discussed:

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a. Plans for the defense of the western Black Sea area and

b. Plans for combined winter maneuvers of the Soviet fleet, Bulgarian Air Force, and Rumanian ground forces, on the western coasts of the Black Sea.

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2. These maneuvers will reportedly take place early in January 1952.

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